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### LOCAL AFFAIRS.

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and Correspondents.

### Riotous Patriotism.

The annual demonstration for and against the ringing of the bell of the First Presbyterian church came off at about midnight on the 3d inst., and proved to be quite a serious affair for all concerned. Mr. H. M. Barrett had made arrangements through Sexton Griffin to prevent, if possible, any person from entering the church, or if entrance was effected, to render it impossible to ring the bell, by removing the rope, locking up the belfry, etc. Anthony Sigler was also employed to be up all night, on guard at the church. At about midnight he was met by a crowd of about twenty young men and boys of all sorts, and some of them under the influence of liquor which they had with them in bottles.

They endeavored to intimidate Sigler, but he proved to be of pretty good stuff, and kept them from getting in at first. Some one, however, went around in the rear, trying the windows, and found one that had been left unfastened. He climbed in, lighted the gas, and going to the front, unfastened a door, and then most of the mob got in. "Ton" as Mr. Sigler is called, made fight against them, using a stout stick with good effect. He was overpowered at length, and held down but no could get within reach of the bell. The noise of firing off pistols etc., about the church brought Mr. Barrett from his house to assist in repelling the crowd, and in doing so he was severely pounded and his life threatened. The names of some of the mob have been taken, and threats of arrest and indictment made.

The trustees of the church are not only willing, but had made arrangements to have the bell of the church rung at six o'clock in the morning and at sunset, there seems to be no excuse for such a disturbance as took place in the early hours of the 4th. As one citizen has remarked, "let the bell be rung as a time-honored custom, but let a stop be put to these annual skirmishes over it." A good idea might be to have a special police employed and sworn in for duty on the night of July 3d, to protect our churches from desecration, and insure valiant private citizens from getting thumped about by these rowdy celebrants. As for these, if a few of them, however well connected, had been forced to spend their Fourth in the County Jail, it would probably have given them a needed lesson, that patriotism and liberty does not properly consist of such acts as they were engaged in, on the morning of the 4th.

### A Fourth of July Fire.

The firemen of Bloomfield were filled with premonitory forebodings that a serious conflagration would undoubtedly be the result arising from the immense quantity of punk, powder, paper and other inflammable material that was being tossed about in an apparently reckless manner.

Consequently when about half past two in the afternoon, the fire bell sounded its notes of warning, the companies were soon speeding in the direction of the fire. An exciting struggle for first place ensued between Essex Truck No. 1, and Phoenix Hose No. 1. Two dollars if you pass the Truck should be an enthusiastic member of the Hose Co. By timely securing reinforcement the Truck maintained the lead, and in three and one half minutes from the time of the alarm two of their ladders were in position against the burning building on Franklin street. Two streams were soon playing on the building from the hose of the Phoenix Co.

In a remarkably short space of time, considering the distance, "them flying squirrels" (as a bystander termed them) from the Third District were at the scene of the fire. Excelsior came next and soon four streams were bringing the fire under control.

After nearly an hour of hot, hard work, the flames were extinguished and at four the back taps called the last company from the scene.

The burnt building is the property of Mr. H. B. Sheldon and was occupied by Mr. Richard Stout. The loss on building and furniture is estimated at \$2,000, fully covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is attributed to fire crackers.

### Church Notes.

The Rev. Solon Cobb, of Erie Pa. will preach in Westminster church on Sunday next.

It has been decided to enlarge Christ Church, Liberty street, and it is expected that ground will be broken for the addition next week. The congregation has outgrown the present building, and the ves-

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try have applications for pews which they cannot fill. We will give further particulars respecting the plan of enlargement in our next issue. Meanwhile we congratulate the Rector and his people that the Parish is in such a prosperous condition.

### Free Firecrackers.

The announcement made through THE CITIZEN, that fire crackers would be freely distributed at the Truck House on the morning of the Fourth, evidently seriously interfered with the slumber of a number of juvenile citizens. It was but little after five A. M. when the reporter for THE CITIZEN went around to the Truck House to see the fun: He found Mr. F. G. Tower, J. Zabriskie, and T. E. Hayes already present and surrounded by a numerous throng of children of various sizes and colors, among them a few little girls. To create a little amusement and interest the boys until the time set for distribution should arrive, some very large fire crackers were thrown among the crowd, to be scrambled for. A lively tussle ensued. In their capacity to push, pull and roll, the colored boys excelled their white brothers. All propensities to serious punching (of which slight manifestations were made) were promptly checked. A series of races were run by the different sized boys, the winners being rewarded by packs of fire crackers. An attempt made by Mr. Tower to banish things was not productive of anticipated results. At the appointed hour about 100 children were marshalled into line, the girls at the head. Messrs. Tower and Zabriskie distributed the fire crackers as they marched past, while Mr. Hayes took a position at the foot of the line to look out for repeaters. Two packs of small crackers, 1 large one and a stick of punk were given to each applicant. A great many more came at a later hour and were also served.

### Bloomfield Brief Notes.

A slight fire occurred at the residence of Samuel Westervelt on Linden avenue. —A fire slightly damaged the residence of Walter Freeman, on Broad street, on the Fourth. —The proprietors of the Newark Bee desire to call attention to the fact that their store will close at 6 P. M. daily except Saturdays. —The Active B. B. C. were again vanquished by the Amateurs of Newark. —Supt. Cosgrove is at work laying the gas main through Willow street.

The men's meeting last Saturday evening was very interesting. Another will be held to night from 8 to 9 o'clock. All who come will be provided with books to sing.

Bloomfield firemen were deserving of great credit for the efficient manner in which they performed their work.

On the morning of July 4th the residence of Stephen Valentine, on Orange and Broad, in Bay Lane, was burned down. By the assistance of the neighbors considerable of the furniture was saved. The Montclair Fire Department appeared at the scene of the fire, but accomplished little. A prominent citizen of that place describes the workings of the Department as follows: "The position of the pumps changed the water. The simple knowledge of how to connect a section of hose was all that was wanting that they could not get water until the crowd pointed out the defect. In the meantime the house, which took fire on the roof, completely burned down. Men, women and small boys all hooted and laughed at the lack of discipline and skill displayed by the Department." They will perhaps do better next time.

### Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The Fourth was a "big" day at the Y. M. C. A. The warm weather caused the pedestrian and cycling public to appreciate the thoughtfulness of the committee in providing such delightful iced cold lemonade for all who called. It was just what was wanted by all. A refreshing harmless drink. Thanks are returned to Messrs. Abel Baker, D. P. Lyal, and J. B. Maxfield for favors shown in furnishing the supplies.

On account of the severe rainstorm of Tuesday evening there was not a sufficient number of present to warrant organizing "The Outing Club," as was intended. A meeting for organization is therefore called for Monday evening next at 8 o'clock. It is hoped all who can will attend.

The postponed meeting of the Women's Auxiliary will take place in the hall on Monday afternoon next at 3 o'clock.

Ice water of the purest quality may always be found at the rooms. It is very convenient for the thirsty ones who pass the rooms going to and from the depot to run up stairs and get a drink. All young men are welcome fifty times a day. Rooms open 9 A. M. to 10 P. M.

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### Watseissing.

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Real Estate transfer: J. W. Butterworth to John Whitton, one lot on Glenwood avenue, \$450.

Several arrests have been made by officers during the last few days, of persons charged with petty offenses, neighbor quarrels etc., etc.

The marriage of Mr. Samuel W. Harvey of Bloomfield to Miss Augusta Hemstreet of Newark occurred last Friday evening at the residence of the groom's father, Mr. Theodore Harvey, on Linden avenue. A large company of relatives and friends were present. The Rev. J. P. Facon of St. Paul's P. E. Church performed the ceremony.

—Bell ringing, cannoneading, fire crackers, fire works and a fire, were the notable events connected with the celebration of the Fourth of July in Bloomfield. At a very early hour roar after roar belched from the mouth of the cannon which was rapidly loaded and reloaded by the Battery Boys. A salute of 25 rounds in the morning and 25 in the evening was fired.

Tickets for the anniversary of Eastern Star K. of L. of H. are now on sale. The anniversary will be held at Pleasure Grove.

Doubtless inspired by a superabundance of liberty, fraternity and equality, imbibed in some saloon on the Fourth, three young men engaged in a hugging demonstration near the Centre on Tuesday. Officer Harvey ordered them to desist. They became abusive and he proceeded to arrest them which they resisted. With the assistance of Officer Harvey they were taken before Judge Hall who imposed a fine of \$10 on each of them. Examination of their pockets revealed the fact that they were as completely "busted" as the fire crackers that had been shot off the day before. Jail was the only alternative, and it was only after considerable hard fighting that the Officers succeeded in getting them there. Next day friends of two of the belligerent prisoners became interested in their behalf and after paying the fine and costs secured their liberty.

### A Among the Firemen.

Chief of Fire Department, A. J. Marsh desires to state that the Fire Companies of Bloomfield take this method of expressing their thanks to Dr. Wm. H. Pierson for his recognition of their services at the recent fire on Bloomfield avenue.

—Eastwood Hose Co. of Belleville, Companies from East Newark and other places are expected to be present at the picnic to be held by Active Hose Co. at Pleasure Grove on the sixteenth.

—Meetings of Montclair Council No. 47, A. O. T., will be held in the Truck House on the first Monday evening of each month.

—Phoenix men say it was one of the Actives. Active men say it was a Phoenix man that opened the shutters on the blind window and said he couldn't see inside on account of the smoke.

—A citizen of Montclair who witnessed the fire on Franklin street, said that the

### Clearing Out Sale of Shoes.

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